

# REPORT

ADDENDUM TO RC ITEM 4  
ADDENDUM TO CEHD ITEM 3

**DATE:** April 2, 2015

**TO:** Regional Council (RC)  
Community, Economic and Human Development Committee (CEHD)

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**SUBJECT: REPORT ADDENDUM --**  
Cap-and-Trade Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program/ SCAG Evaluation Criteria

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:** 

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## RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR CEHD AND RC:

That SCAG recommends and strongly urges the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) fully fund in FY 2014-2015 all the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) full grant applications in the SCAG region.

## BACKGROUND:

This report is to supplement the original staff report dated April 2, 2014 (refer to CEHD Agenda Item #3 and RC Agenda Item #4). As background, the SGC invited a subset of concept applications for the AHSC grant statewide program to submit full applications. Only twelve (12) applicants out of the fifty (50) applicants from the SCAG region were invited to submit full applications by April 20. Statewide, these twelve applicants represent only eighteen percent (18%) of the applicants invited to submit full applications. Upon learning this, SCAG President sent a letter to Ken Alex, Chairman of the Strategic Growth Council, recommending additional projects be considered to submit full applications. A copy of the letter was previously distributed to the Regional Council and is included in this month's Board Information Packet. Subsequent to the posting of today's agenda, staff was informed that SCAG's request was denied by SGC and additional projects beyond the 12 applicants will not be invited to submit full applications.

In the original staff report, staff had sought approval for the Evaluation Criteria to be used in making recommendations to the Strategic Growth Council on ranking projects in our region. However, considering the disproportionately low number of projects from our region invited to submit full applications, staff finds that the ranking criteria is no longer needed for this round. It would be in the region's best interest to strongly urge that SGC fund all the AHSC full grant applications in the SCAG region. For these reasons, staff has revised its recommendation to CEHD and RC that SCAG actively pursue funding for 100% of the projects that were asked to submit full applications. Projects are listed in Attachment No. 2 of the original staff report.

\*For any other information regarding this topic please refer to the original staff report dated April 2, 2015 (CEHD Agenda Item #3 and RC Agenda Item #4).